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State and Central Scholarships

* 150 Q.—SRI J. PONNUSWAMY VILLAVARAYAR : Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(a) the number of scholarships granted by the State and Central Governments for (i) Post-matric studies and (ii) Secondary Schools in the State during 1962–63;

(b) the categories of students to whom professional scholarships were granted; and

(c) whether the scholarships were granted on the basis of merits or on the income of the guardians ?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (a) to (c) The particulars have been called for from the concerned Heads of Departments and they are awaited.

City Compensatory Allowance to N.G.Os.

* 151 Q.—SRI S. K. SAMBANDHAN : Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(a) whether there is any proposal to give City Compensatory Allowance to N.G.Os. in the City on a par with Central Government employees; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

SRI S. K. SAMBANDHAN : On account of increased taxation and consequent increase in the cost of living, what is the difficulty for the Government which is wedded to the so-called socialism, in giving allowances to the Non-Gazetted Government servants on a par with the Central Government employees ?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Sir, I am not expected to reply to the speech of the hon. Member. My answer is 'No'.

DR. H. V. HANDE : Have the Government worked out the extra expenditure involved to the Exchequer if this demand were to be met ?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : The Government have not worked that out.

SRI S. K. SAMBANDHAN : Will the Government at least think of making up at least a part of the difference ? Is there any such proposal ?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : There is no such proposal.

DR. H. V. HANDE : Will the Government at least examine the question ?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : The Government do not see any need for examination.